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## **CALTRANS IS HERE TO GET YOU THERE FOR LABOR DAY**

**Inland Empire** – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces that there are no planned lane closures for the Labor Day weekend in the Inland Empire. The moratorium begins at 6:00 a.m. Friday, August 31 through Tuesday, September 4 at 6:00 p.m. for most state highways.

Local road closures may occur for parades or other events. Closures on state highways may be necessary in the event of emergencies. **Remember that this is a NASCAR weekend in Fontana and heavy delays will be expected on Interstate 10 and Interstate 15 in the Fontana area.**

**Caltrans will have Interstate 15 reduced to one lane from Zzyzx Rd. to east of Baker on Tuesday, September 4, from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for an ongoing truck-climbing lane project.**

State Route 138 (SR-138) is closed for construction from SR-2 east to Hess Road. Motorists are advised to use Route 395 and SR-18 as the official detour. **Businesses are open all along SR-138. There are detour signs to take you to the Wrightwood community on SR-2. Caltrans will open SR-138 completely on September 11, 2007.**

Labor Day weekend is typically a time for heavy holiday traffic to and from vacation destinations. Heavy travel times are typically from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Delays can be expected throughout the Inland Empire on all interstates so leave as early as possible. Make your weekend a fun one and plan ahead.

*Here are some helpful tips:*

- Make sure your vehicle is in good running condition – especially in the hot weather!
- Choose off peak times to travel and use less-traveled alternate routes if possible.
- Bring along plenty of water, snacks, and something to keep the children busy.
- Charge your cell phone battery.
- Inform others of your planned destination and let them know when you have arrived.
- Turn on your radio for up to date traffic reports.
- Be patient and courteous to other drivers.
- **Never drink and drive!**

For Caltrans roadwork information, visit the Caltrans website at [www.caltrans8.info](http://www.caltrans8.info).

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